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FM AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

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INFO AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMEMBASSY LONDON

S E C R E T SINGAPORE 1501

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, SN, NZ

SUBJECT: NEW ZEALAND MANAGEMENT OF NAVAL BASIN BERTHS AND FUEL
DEPOT

REF: STATE 081937

1. BELIEVE GNZ MIGHT BE MORE DISPOSED TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR
MANAGING NAVAL BASIN BERTHS AND FUEL DEPOT IF IT THOUGHT UK AS WELL
AS U.S. WERE INTERESTED IN HAVING IT DO SO. THEREFORE, SUGGEST
EMBASSY LONDON BE INSTRUCTED TO RAISE MATTER WITH HMG (A) NOTING
POLITICAL REASONS WHY WE THINK IT WOULD BE BEST FOR ALL CONCERNED,
INCLUDING FORMER ANZUK GOVERNMENTS. TO HAVE GNZ TAKE OVER THIS
RESPONSIBILITY; AND (B) URGING HMG TO SUPPORT OUR REPRESENTATIONS
TO GNZ TO THIS EFFECT.

2. WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER AUSTRALIANS WOULD BE DISPOSED TO SUPPORT
THIS EFFORT OR WHETHER ITS INTERVENTION WOULD BE HELPFUL, BUT
ASSUME THAT EMBASSY CANBERRA WILL SO SUGGEST IF IT THINKS AUSTRALIAN
INVOLVEMENT WOULD BE USEFUL.

3. ALTHOUGH WE GATHER NEW ZEALAND MINISTER OF DEFENSE FRAZER WILL
VISIT SINGAPORE PRIOR TO PRIME MINISTER ROWLING'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON

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EMBASSY ASSUMES THIS SUBJECT WILL BE ON THE AGENDA FOR ROWLINGS,

MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD/:

4. BY SEPTEL EMBASSY ALSO REQUESTING VISIT TO SINGAPORE PRIOR TO
FRAZER VISIT BY U.S. FUEL FACILITY MANAGEMENT EXPERT WHICH MIGHT BE
USEFUL IN ALLAYING GNZ CONCERN RE COMPLEXITY OF MANAGING FUEL
DEPOT.
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